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1. EXPANSION OF SANCTIONS AGAINST RHODESIA --

MISOFFS DISCUSSED WITH UKUN HEAD OF CHANCERY BYATT, LEGAL ADVISER FIFOOT AND ADVISER BRIGHTLY USG INTER-AGENCY GROUP PROPOSALS FOR SECURITY COUNCIL ACTION TO DEAL WITH SOUTH AFRICAN TRANSSHIPMENT VIOLATIONS OF ECONOMIC SANCTIONS AGAINST RHODESIA AND TO CURB MERCENARY ENLISTMENTS IN RHODESIAN ARMED SERVICES. INITIAL UKUN REACTION TO PROPOSAL CONCERNING SOUTH AFRICAN TRANSSHIPMENT PROBLEM WAS VERY CAUTIOUS, AND THEY THOUGHT LONDON WAS BEST PLACE TO DISCUSS SANCTIONS EXTENSIONS. THE COMMENTED THAT TO BE EFFECTIVE, THE PROPOSAL WOULD INVOLVE THE WHOLE OF BRITISH TRADE WITH SOUTH AFRICA IN A LICENSING PROCEDURE, AND COULD BE VIEWED AS COMING CLOSE TO SANCTIONS AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA BECAUSE OF THE INTENSITY OF SCRUTINY THAT WOULD BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE NEW MEA-SECRET

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SURES A REALITY. THE ALSO RAISED CERTAIN QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE PROPOSAL CALLING FOR STATES TO MAKE PHYSICAL ANALYSES OF POSSIBLE RHODESIAN-SOURCE PRODUCTION AND METALS. TURNING TO THE SUGGESTION ON MERCENARIES, THEY SAID HMG IS LOOKING AT THE WHOLE PROBLEM OF MERCENARIES ACROSS THE BOARD. THE US SUGGESTION, HOWEVER, COULD GIVE ROSE TO POLITICAL DIFFICULTY IN THE UK, CONSIDERING THE DUAL BRITISH-RHODESIAN NATIONALITY OF MOST WHITE SETTLERS. UKUN OFFICERS COMMENTED, IN CONCLUSION, THAT THE PROPOSALS PROVIDE GROUND FOR ANALYSIS AND DISCUSSION. (SECRET -- USUN 1556)

2. IFAD/ ECOSOC NEGOTIATIONS --

BEFORE ECOSOC NOTED, ON MAY 13, THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NEGOTIATIONS WITH INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES AND DECIDED TO TRANSMIT IT TO IFAD FOR APPROVAL, THERE WAS A TWO-HOUR PLENARY DEBATE CONSISTING OF AN UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT BY ALGERIA TO HAVE ART. XI OF THE

DRAFT AGREEMENT AMENDED AND A SUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT BY YUGOSLAVIA AND ALGERIA TO DILUTE THE LANGUAGE OF THE ECOSOC DECISION ON THE DRAFT AGREEMENT THAT HAD BEEN PROPOSED BY ARGENTINA AND SUPPORTED BY EIGHT COUNTRIES, INCLUDING THE US. PLUS SIDE INCLUDED THE FACT THAT THE DRAFT AGREEMENT ESCAPED BEING AMENDED BY PLENARY AND WAS TRANSMITTED TO IFAD "FOR APPROVAL." ON MINUS SIDE, ALGERIA SERVED NOTICE IT WAS FAR FROM GIVING UP ITS "CRUSADE." (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- USUN 1553)

3. NEGOTIATIONS ON DISARMAMENT GA AGENDA --

NONALIGNED, WESTERN EUROPEAN AND EASTERN EUROPEAN GROUPS ARE CONTINUING THEIR FORMAL CONSULTATIONS ON THE AGENDA FOR THE SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT, WITH THE UNRESOLVED ISSUE REMAINING EASTERN EUROPEAN INSISTENCE ON A SEPARATE ITEM ON THE WORLD DIS-
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ARMAMENT CONFERENCE. IT IS UNCLEAR WHETHER THE EASTERN EUROPEANS WILL AGREE TO THE LATEST NONALIGNED VERSION, WHICH INCLUDES THE "QUESTION OF CONVENING A WDC" AS A SUBITEM UNDER REVIEW OF THE UN ROLE IN DISARMAMENT. INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS ARE CONTINUING ALSO ON THE MEXICAN PROPOSAL FOR 10 DISARMAMENT STUDIES AND A PROPOSAL CIRCULATED BY SEVERAL WESTERN STATES FOR A MORE LIMITED AND FOCUSED SET OF STUDIES TO BE PRODUCED BY THE UN SECRETARIAT. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- USUN 1557)

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4. COMMITTEE FOR SPECIAL GA DISARMAMENT --

CHAIRMAN ORTIZ DE ROZAS (ARGENTINA) TOLD THE COMMITTEE MAY 17 THAT NEGOTIATIONS ON THE AGENDA FOR THE SPECIAL SESSION HAD "BOGGED DOWN" OVER THE PAST TWO DAYS. HE URGED THE COMMITTEE TO REDOUBLE ITS EFFORTS TO PRODUCE AN AGENDA WHICH COULD BE ADOPTED BY CONSENSUS. SPEAKERS IN GENERAL DEBATE WERE REPRESENTATIVES OF AUSTRALIA, VENEZUELA, ITALY, TURKEY, PAKISTAN AND BELGIUM, AND OBSERVERS FROM DENMARK AND BULGARIA. PAKISTAN, SUPPORTING THE NONALIGNED PROPOSED AGENDA, SUGGESTED AN ADDITIONAL ITEM ON "ADOPTION OF AGREEMENTS

ON DISARMAMENT." BELGIUM WILL PROPOSE AT THE 32ND GA A GLOBAL STUDY OF THE REGIONAL ASPECTS OF DISARMAMENT.

AUSTRALIA SUGGESTED THAT THE SPECIAL SESSION CONCENTRATE ON DEFINING PRINCIPLES FOUNDED ON POLITICAL REALITY AND, IN ADDITION TO DECIDING ON PRIORITY AREAS FOR ATTENTION, IDENTIFY ISSUES OF CONTENTION WITHIN THOSE AREAS AND INDICATE POSSIBLE BASIS UPON WHICH DIFFERENCES MIGHT BE RESOLVED. IN VENEZUELA'S VIEW, THE SPECIAL SESSION SHOULD WORK TO ADOPT PRINCIPLES WHICH WOULD LEAD TO GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT, REAFFIRM RIGHTS OF ALL STATES TO ACCESS TO PEACEFUL NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY, AND UNDERTAKE A VAST PUBLIC INFORMATION CAMPAIGN ON THE DANGERS OF THE ARMS RACE.

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ITALY THOUGHT THE SESSION SHOULD ENDEAVOR TO PROVIDE A FAR-REACHING DESIGN FOR GRADUALLY ACHIEVING EFFECTIVE TOTAL ELIMINATION OF ARMS IN ORDER TO CREATE A PEACEFUL WORLD BASED ON DETENTE, UNDERSTANDING, COOPERATION AND ON AN INTERNATIONAL SECURITY SYSTEM. VINCI (ITALY) RECALLED ITALY'S PROPOSAL WHICH EIVISAGED A SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE DIVIDED INTO REGIONAL SUBCOMMITTEES WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF MAJOR ARMS SUPPLIERS AND PURCHASING POWERS FROM EACH REGION, WHOSE TASK WOULD BE TO MAINTAIN CONVENTIONAL WEAPONRY AT THE LOWEST POSSIBLE LEVEL. DENMARK STATED THAT BESIDES FORMULATING A DECLARATION ON DISARMAMENT THE MAIN PURPOSE OF THE SPECIAL GA SHOULD BE TO IDENTIFY THE FIELDS IN WHICH ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN AND TO ESTABLISH PRIORITIES.

SEVERAL SPEAKERS (INCLUDING DENMARK, ITALY) COMMENTED THAT PROGRESS IN THE SALT NEGOTIATIONS WOULD CREATE A CLIMATE FACILITATING SOLUTIONS TO NUCLEAR ISSUES. TURKEY BELIEVED A SET OF GUIDING PRINCIPLES SHOULD BE AGREED UPON, PRIMARILY TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE CONCEPTS DEVELOPED SO FAR IN THE COURSE OF THE PAST NEGOTIATIONS ON DISARMAMENT AND THAT PARTICULAR STRESS SHOULD BE PLACED ON THE PRINCIPLE OF BALANCE IN DISARMAMENT MEASURES. TURKEY ALSO HOPED THAT THE QUESTION OF TRADE IN, AND TRANSFER OF, CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS WOULD BE CONSIDERED IN ALL ITS ASPECTS.

PAKISTAN SPOKE OF THE INDIAN OCEAN AS ZONE OF PEACE, AND SAID THAT PENDING COMPLETE ELIMINATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS, URGENT ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN IN THREE AREAS: USSR-US AGREEMENT ON A SUBSTANTIAL REDUCTION IN THE SIZE OF THEIR NUCLEAR ARSENALS AND STRATEGIC DELIVERY SYSTEMS; AGREEMENT TO REFRAIN FROM FURTHER SOPHISTICATION

OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND THEIR DELIVERY SYSTEMS; AND UNDER-
TAKING BY NUCLEAR-WEAPON POWERS TO REFRAIN FROM THE THREAT
OR USE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AGAINST NON-NUCLEAR STATES.

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THERE WAS ALSO URGENT NEED FOR REDUCTION OF CONVEN-
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